(b) if so, the names of these trains;

(c) whether there is a long standing demand to introduce more trains on the pattern of Rajdhani Express on the route;

(d) if so, when it is likely to introduced; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). 3039/3040 Howrah-Delhi Janata Express (between Howrah and Mughalsarai), 3049/3050 Howrah-Amritsar Express (between Jhajha and Amritsar), 2403/2404 Kanpur-Varanasi Shramik Express, 4017/4018 Allahabad-Ambala Unchahar Express, 3025/3026 Howrah-Muzaffarpur North-Bihar Weekly Express, 5049/5050 Howrah-Gorakhpur Weekly Express, 2181/2182 Howrah-Agra Cantt. Chambal Weekly Express have been temporarily withdrawn and will be restored during April, 1992.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) There is no proposal at present to introduce the train.

(e) Due to operational and resource constraints.

Reservation of SC/ST In Rites

3375. SHRI DHARAMPAL SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects allotted to Rail India Technical and Economic Services abroad during the last three years;

(b) whether the reservation policy in respect of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been implemented by this organisation;

(c) if so, the percentage there of particularly for the categories of Jnior Engineers and Assistant Managers; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 28 contracts have been secured abroad during the last three years.

(b) to (d). Implementation of the reservation policy in respect of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is a continuous process and is being effected in RITES in all the groups of employees. In the category of junior Engineers the representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is 13.4% and 3.65% respectively. In the category of Assistance Engineers the percentage is 7.4% and 0.34%, respectively. The non-availability of qualified candidates in specialised technical disciplines like hydrogeologist, Mechanical Engineer, Transport planner from amongst reserved candidates has caused the under representation which is being sought to be normalised by special recruitment drives.

Introduction of New Trains

3376. SHRI G. M. C. BALAYOGI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are proposals to introduce new long distance super fast trains to Andhra Pradesh from Various parts of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). The following long distance superfast trains serving the State of Andhra Pradesh are proposed to be introduced w. f. 1.7.92:

1. Trivandrum-Gandhidham weekly service.

2. Bangalore-Kurla (Bombay) daily service.

A weekly Rajdhani Express between New Delhi and Secundera bad/Bangalore is also proposed to be introduced during the next financial year.

SC/ST Booking Agents

3377. SHRI ARVIND TULSIRAM KAMBLE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any provision for reservation of rail ticket booking agencies for ST/ST persons; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the zone-wise number of agencies allotted to SC/ST persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Appointment of Environmental Managers

3378. SHRI SARAT GHANDRA PATTANAYAK: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose for mandatory appointment of Environment Managers in industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c). The matter is under consideration.

Scheme of Non-Formal Education

3379. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts covered by the scheme of Non-formal education so far;

(b) the number of centres sanctioned therefor during 1991-92;

(c) the number of beneficiaries during the last three years; year-wise;

(d) the number of non-governmental organisations involved;

(e) whether any independent check has been made about the existence and performance fo these centres; and

(f) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) (i) Number of districts covered through State Governments and Union Territory administrations: 325

(ii) Number of districts covered through voluntary agencies: 166

Some of the Districts are commonly covered by both State U. Ts. and Voluntary Agencies.

(b) 1755 centres were sanctioned during 1991-92.

(c) The number of beneficiaries during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 were 59,89,050 63,98,375 and 67,18,000 respectively.